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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 474  
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A RESOLUTION to honor and commend longtime state employee  
Wilton Collin Hand on the occasion of his  
retirement.

WHEREAS, the Tennessee General Assembly feels very proud to specially honor and  
commend career state employees, who have worked hard and have been dedicated and  
diligent in serving the public good; and

WHEREAS, Wilton Collin Hand of Columbia, the Riverbend Maximum Security Prison  
Industrial Operations Manager for Correctional Enterprises of Tennessee, is clearly one such  
exemplary person; he retired from an successful career in state service on August 31, 1997;  
and

WHEREAS, born January 21, 1936, Mr. Hand served admirably in the United States Air  
Force, starting in 1955. He served with distinction as Chief of Fire Prevention in Victoria,  
California; as a Supervisor, in Turkey; as a Fire Safety Engineer, in France; and as an Airman in  
Elgin, Florida; and

WHEREAS, having received considerable praise for his excellent work, he retired from  
the U.S. Air Force in January, 1960; and

WHEREAS, a highly regarded and popular student, Mr. Hand received his Associate  
Degree in Science from Columbia State Community College, with majors in Psychology,

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Sociology, and Industrial Relations, in 1978; and his Associate Degree in Science, with a major in Correctional Management, from Austin Peay State University in 1992; and

WHEREAS, from 1960-1966, he expertly held several governmental positions, with Georgia and Tennessee, before serving as a Correctional Officer with the Tennessee Department of Correction at the Tennessee State Penitentiary from 1966-1973; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hand served successfully in positions of increasing importance for Tennessee State Industries; as Supervisor, Turney Youth Center from 1973-1974; as General Supervisor, Turney Youth Center from 1974-1975; as General Supervisor, Nashville from 1975-1977; as Superintendent, Warehouse, Nashville from 1977-1979; and as maintenance/Engineering Manager (CIS 5), Nashville from 1979-1989; and

WHEREAS, starting in January, 1989, he served astutely in the position from which he retired; being responsible for the management of four correctional industrial plants; and

WHEREAS, realizing the importance of continuing education, Mr. Hand took numerous courses which significantly improved his already excellent job performance. These courses include: "Franklin Time Management Expanded", "Building Effective Teams", "Coping With Difficult People", "Management Control and Responsibility Systems", "Interviewing Techniques", "The Mechanics of Performance Evaluation", and "Improving and Maintaining Employee Relations and Performance"; and

WHEREAS, his social activities include being a valued member of the Veteran's of Foreign Wars, the American Legion, the Al Menah Shrine Temple, the Scottish Rite Masons, the York Rites Masons, and service as the Past Worthy Patron of the Order of Eastern Star; and

WHEREAS, he is a loving father to two stepsons, Daniel R. White and L. Wayne White; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we pause in our deliberations to reflect fondly on the many contributions that Wilton Collin Hand has made to Tennessee and to the Department of Correction; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we honor and commend Wilton Collin Hand, express our deepest appreciation for his outstanding service and wish him much continued success on his retirement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.